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City of Mexico, June 22.—There was great demonstration here yesterday in honor of President Diaz, who has just completed for a fifth term. There was a procession of about 5,000 men, including 4,000 full-blooded Indians, carrying banners and flags. The bells were ringing all day, and last night there was a display of fireworks.

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DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION.

The Democratic Electors of the several Assembly Districts of the State of New York are requested to send three delegates from each of the said districts to attend a State Convention, to be held at Saratoga, on the 24th day of June, 1896, at 12 m., for the purpose of selecting the number of delegates to which the State of New York is entitled in the National Democratic Convention, to be held at Chicago, on the 7th day of July next.

J. W. KINLEY, Chairman.
JOHN CLYNE, Secretary.

A dollar not good enough to buy bonds is not good enough to pay for labor.

1 Any and all schemes to debase the public money are fraught with destruction to public credit, stain to national honor, degradation of personal morals and ruinous consequences to the general welfare.

In a nutshell, free silver coinage means that the governments be handed over to the mine owners for conversion of their silver bars into dollars to be compulsorily taken by the people in discharge of debt and in payment for labor.

If Warner Miller wants to fight for the control of the Republican organization in this State, Mr. Platt is ready to accommodate him, and is anxious to have the battle for delegates to next fall's convention fought out at once so that "Mr. Miller's war will not interfere with the thoroughness of the State organization's work for McKinley and Hobart." A fine sense of humor is one of the many graces Mr. Platt has just unveiled to the public.

Port Jervis Republicans celebrated the nomination of McKinley and Hobart by a parade, Friday night. There are no factional differences there and no such distinctions as McKinley leagues and the "old gang" were made in the procession, which was neither large nor imposing, and the parade lacked the grace, finish, elegance and perfection of detail that made Boss Dayton's demonstration in this city unique and unapproachable in the history of ratification parades.

The Philadelphia Ledger, a staunch Republican paper, criticizes the platform of its party with force and candor, when it says:

"The platform covers entirely too many subjects, and outside of the tariff and currency planks, is exceptionally weak, and sometimes evasive. The Eastern men who controlled the expression on the currency question quite naturally allowed the McKinley managers to complete the platform, but it is to be regretted that they did so, for at least one-half of the declaration of principles could have been omitted to the advantage of the whole."

Sound money Democrats, who hoped that William C. Whitney might be their party's candidate for President, and who saw in him a leader whom they could follow to certain victory, are sorely disappointed by his announcement: "I will not run for nomination nor serve in elected." In connection with this declaration of his position in regard to the presidential nomination, Mr. Whitney gives expression to views on the silver question which challenge the earnest consideration of all who think they see in free silver coinage a panacea for all business and financial ills. After briefly summarizing the well known arguments against free silver based on its disturbing effect on values and therefore on all business enterprises, he points out that for the United States to set up the silver standard would discredit the cause of international bimetalism, which was never brighter than now, and nullify all that has been accomplished in that direction by years of patient effort.

The McKinley Leaguers of this city ought to have the sympathy and moral support of all good citizens, irrespective of party, in their efforts to wrest the control of the Republican organization from the men who have so long used it for selfish ends. The Leaguers are clean handed. They have committed no crimes against popular rights or government by the people. They have never conspired to retain control of the city government beyond the time the people entrusted it to them keeping by lying terms or other extended by the act of a sly legislative majority, or by subversive aid and a weak and vacillating mayor, who was bulldozed into disregarding the most solemn pledges voluntarily made to the people. The Leaguers have no such intrigues to answer for, and if they succeed in their plans for overthrowing the old dynasty, which has done so many wrongs in the name of Republicanism, an era of more decent politics may be inaugurated in Middletown.

Anniversary Mass for Mrs. Burke.

An anniversary mass for the repose of the soul of Mrs. Ann Burke was celebrated in St. Joseph's Church, at 9 o'clock, this morning, by Rev. Father O'Hanlon.

HOOD'S PILLS cure Liver Ills, Biliousness, Indigestion, Headache. Easy to take, easy to operate. 25c.

A VIOLENT SUMMER STORM.

Much Damage by Wind North and East of This City—The Barn on the C. E. Gardner Farm Struck by Lightning.

The storm which passed to the north and east of this city, yesterday afternoon, was accompanied by a very high wind which did much damage. From Bloomingburgh, Bullville, Circleville and places further eastward come reports of trees blown down, fences leveled and corn and grain beaten down.

In Montgomery a tree fell on the house of Mrs. Deyo, occupied by Mrs. Crane, damaging it somewhat.

The barn on the Charles G. Gardner farm on the Bloomingburgh road, was struck by lightning and two valuable dogs were killed. One was a registered Laverack English setter, "Devonshire Kent," the property of Miss Hattie Startup, of this city and was valued at \$150. The other was a bird dog belonging to Joseph Spear.

DeWitt Bannister and several other bicyclists who had sought shelter under an adjacent shed were badly shocked. Thomas Watts, Esq., the former owner of Devonshire Kent, who had driven out to see the dog, was in the farm house at the time.

THE RECORDER'S BUSY MORNING

Five Cases Disposed of at a Very Early Session of Court.

Recorder Bradner held an early session of his court, this morning, and disposed of five cases before his departure for Brooklyn on the Orange County Express.

Two cases were rather and son who were stealing a ride on an O. and W. freight train. They were reprimanded and discharged.

One case of plain drunk paid a fine of three dollars.

Frank B. Courtney will break stone for ten days and Henry Reed, the aged albino, will do likewise for the next thirty days, both as a result of intoxication.

The O. and W.'s Mary Powell Excursion

The O. and W. will run an excursion to New York, on Thursday, June 25th, via Cornwall and the Mary Powell. Only \$1 for round trip. Train leaves Wickham avenue at 7 a. m. and Main street 7:02 a. m. Returning boat leaves Desbrosses street, New York, at 3:15 p. m. and West 22nd street at 3:30 p. m. Don't miss this sail on the Hudson. The Mary Powell has been thoroughly renovated and presents a fine appearance.

TWO DIVORCES GRANTED.

A Middletown Man Freed from Matrimonial Bonds—A Newburgher's Brief and Most Unsatisfactory Marriage Experience.

Judge Dickey, Saturday, granted John C. Hayes, of 21 Bondell street, this city, a divorce from his wife Maggie. The couple formerly lived at Chichester, Ulster county, and Mrs. Hayes refused to accompany her husband when he left there April 1st, 1895. About two months ago a child was born to Mrs. Hayes, and this the Judge thought sufficient reason for divorce. Mr. Hayes was given the custody of his thirteen-year-old daughter Amelia.

Nelson Marsh, a clerk in the Newburgh post office, was granted a divorce from his wife, Flora Zeblin. The couple were married a year ago, but never lived together. It is said the woman is an inmate of a disreputable house in this city.

Scrofula in the Blood.

PORT PIERCE, N. Y., June 3.—My husband has taken Hood's Sarsaparilla as a tonic and blood purifier for many years, and thinks he cannot get along without it. He is troubled with scrofula in the blood. We are much pleased with the Remy Day Puzzle sent for three trade marks from Hood's Sarsaparilla and eight cents in stamps.—Mrs. R. J. TAYLOR, 85 Orange street.

Hood's Pills cure biliousness, indigestion.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT

JAS. P. TIGHE, Commission Broker, Stern Building, 16 North Street, Middletown, N. Y.
Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or carried on margin.

Stock	Yesterday	Today
Am. A. S. P.	129 1/2	129 1/2
C. & O. S. P.	129 1/2	129 1/2
Chgo. Gas	67 1/2	67 1/2
D. E. & W.	16 1/2	16 1/2
U. S. & C. A. I.	17 1/2	17 1/2
Gen. Elec.	22 1/2	22 1/2
U. S. S.	15 1/2	15 1/2
M. P.	21 1/2	21 1/2
N. Y. & N. E.	57 1/2	57 1/2
N. Y. C.	107 1/2	107 1/2
N. W.	104 1/2	104 1/2
Sasquahanna & Western	21 1/2	21 1/2
Sasquahanna & West. pref.	13 1/2	13 1/2
Manhattan	102 1/2	102 1/2
Southern R. V.	7 1/2	7 1/2
P. & R.	7 1/2	7 1/2
R. I.	7 1/2	7 1/2
C. M. & St. P.	7 1/2	7 1/2
C. P.	7 1/2	7 1/2
W. Union	8 1/2	8 1/2
Am. Lead	57 1/2	57 1/2
Am. Wheat	57 1/2	57 1/2
Am. Corn	28 1/2	28 1/2
Am. Oats	17 1/2	17 1/2
Am. Pork	87 1/2	87 1/2
Am. Lard	1 1/2	1 1/2

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Hundreds of precious little ones owe their lives to Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, the sovereign cure for croup and all other throat and lung disease.

Knocked Down With a Block and Tackle.

William Callahan was struck on the head and knocked down by a block and tackle which broke from its fastening at the condenser, Saturday afternoon. He jumped to his feet immediately and remarked: "Never touched me." He discovered a moment later, however, that it had touched him pretty hard, a long gash requiring five stitches to close it having been cut in his forehead.

Advertised Letter List.

List of letters remaining uncalled for at the Middletown postoffice for the week ending June 22d:

Boyd, Mrs. Armandy. Hoffman, Miss Etta
Curtis, Mrs. Cues. Jones, Miss Anne R.
Deval, Mrs. M. A. Thompson, Mrs. R. A.
Daley, Mrs. James. Townsend, Mrs. Charity
Edwards, Mrs. Frankie. Williams, Miss Lovell
GENTLEMEN.
Apitz, Johannes. Japanson, Charles
Cushman, A. S. Onal, Dennis
Park, C. F. Palmer, John
Green, Joseph. Pinkerton, Geo.
Hyatt, Alfred A. C. L. Elwood, Postmaster.

Rats in Mammoth Cave.

In the mammoth cave of Kentucky are found blind rats which have large and lustrous eyes. When exposed for a month or so to a mild light, they acquire a dim perception of objects. The cave rat is the same color as the domestic variety, but its body is very long, like that of a weasel; its whiskers are longer, and its ears are nearly twice as big. It would be interesting to breed a few generations of blind animals from the caves, and see if their descendants would revert to the original forms that had eyes.

A Ten-Thousand-Year Clock.

Herr A. Neill, of Berlingen, Germany, has invented a clock that will run 10,000 years without being wound up after it is once set going. It is also provided with hands which will correctly point to all the changes of the moon, days of the week, month, etc., from now until the end of the year 11,896 A. D.

Brooklyn Bridge Nighthawks.

One of the interesting sights to be seen from Brooklyn bridge on a fair afternoon just after sunset these days is a nighthawk or two flying about near the bridge. The nighthawks feed on the insects, and birds seen about the bridge are hunting their prey.

When Milk Should Not Be Taken.

Milk should not be taken after a hearty meal. At that time it encounters a large quantity of hydrochloric acid and is almost instantly curdled into hard masses difficult of digestion.

F. O. ROCKAFELLOW & BRO., Undertakers, 59 North street. Lady assistant. Telephone No. 3. New York office, 154 East 23d St.

KNAPP & MERRITT, Undertakers and Embalmers, corner West Main and James Sts. Lady assistant. Telephone No. 10 and 22.

JOHN DONOVAN, Undertaker and Embalmer, 121 North street. Fine coaches to let. Telephone 15. Lady assistant. Open day and night.

DOUGHERTY & KELLY, Undertakers and Embalmers, 50 Cottage street, Middletown. Telephone 42, night and day.

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City Grocers.

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10 Pounds of New No. 1

MACKEREL

90 CENTS.

By the barrel and in any quantity at old time prices.

SLOAT'S

Cash Store.

CARSON & TOWNER.

Now for Shirt Waists!

Special Prices on the Newest Styles, with all sizes in stock, 87 Cents

for your choice among the \$1 grade, \$1.15 for those that sold at \$1.25 and \$1.50, with corresponding reductions on the higher grades

We are offering Separate Skirts at great reductions. Some as low 98 cents.

CARSON & TOWNER,

No. 11 West Main St.

Telephone 166.

McKinkley and Hobart Caps for Boys.

Business is rushing. Why? Because we are closing out our spring stock. We are bound to let it go. We want the room and money. Suits and Extra Pantaloons for men, youths, boys and children. Straw Hats, Straw Hats, Straw Hats, Light Underwear, Trunks, Satchels, Umbrellas and Canes.

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A LARGE INVOICE

Plain and Figured

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FOREIGN AND

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We feel confident that we have a larger stock, greater variety of weaves and lower prices on these goods than can be found elsewhere.

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HANFORD & HORTON.

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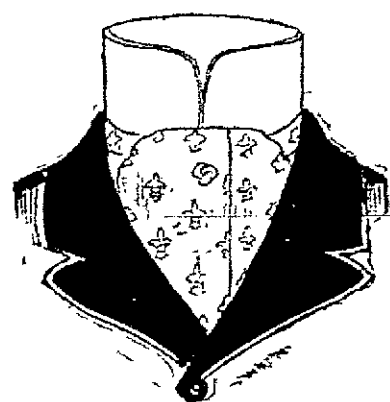
is at hand. Of course you will want to remember and encourage the graduates.

What so appropriate for this as books? These we have of suitable kinds, in great variety of bindings and prices.

Other things besides books. Gold Pens, Fountain Pens and many another choice gift. Flower Baskets also. After work, rest. That means Hammocks, Croquet, etc. We have everything of that kind too.

HANFORD & HORTON,

No. 6 North St., Middletown.



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Negligee

Shirts!

Hot Weather Shirts, in colored goods of all kinds, with soft bosoms, laundered collars and cuffs, 50, 75c, \$1, \$1.50.

Straw Hats, in all the latest styles, from 25c to \$1.50.

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A GOOD SHIRT 25c.

We have been selling a good shirt at 25c.; now we have a better one.

They are made of woven Madras, pearl buttons, collar put on with inserted band.

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Morris B. Wolf,

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SAMUEL LIPFELD

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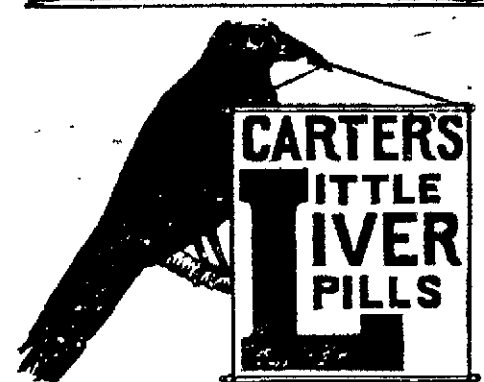
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25 DOZEN LEATHER BELTS 23

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85 CENTS.

12 to 2, Patent Tip, Button, 85c., reduced from \$1.25

New, New, at the

Solid Comfort Shoe House.

J. H. ROSENKRANZ.

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BEST IN THE WORLD.

Howland's liniment, a marvelous remedy for pain or men or beast. Unfailing cure for rheumatism. See circulars for testimonials from men you know. Refer to B. R. Williams, Jack Grier, Louis V. Bauer and C. G. Baldwin. Sold at all principal drug stores.

J. C. HOWLAND, 10 Mulberry St., 3rd Jly.

Middletown, N. Y.

More Nothing.

Judge Gary has a dry wit with him that is occasionally the cause of his grim courtroom being pervaded by a very audible tittering.

The other day one of the attorneys was airing his indignation. He had been robbed. Yes, sir, robbed. It was shameful the way things went right there under the eyes of the law.

Finally Judge Gary noticed the fuming and fretting one.

"What's the matter now?" he asked.

"Matter? It's a compound outrage. Had my overcoat stolen right from this room."

The judge smiled a little.

"Overcoat, eh?" he said. "Tah, that's nothing! Whole suits are lost here every day."—Green Bag.

He Would Help Him.

"Didn't you tell me that your father had expressed a wish to die with his boots on?" asked Mr. Lingerly, gloomily.

"Yes, George," replied Miss Good-nite; "but why?"

"Because," returned Mr. Lingerly, "if I meet him again with the same boots on with which he saw me last night, he will. That's all."—Brooklyn Life.

A Manager's Ill Luck.

Theatrical Manager (despondently)—I am undone!

Wife—Merely! Has the theater burned down?

"Worse! That new play on which I spent so much money contains such a fine moral lesson that the preachers are advising people to go see it. Now it won't draw enough to pay the ushers."—N. Y. Weekly.

More Than He Bargained For.

He was off to the theater in the wine that gurgled red.

And he grew to be an expert at the horizontal bar.

But one night a surly roundsmen took him by the sleeve and said:

"We will go and see some bars that are perpendicular."—Chicago Tribune.

Economical Point of View.

"It seems to me, Billiger," said Mrs. McSwat, "it would be a waste of money to buy a tandem when we have two bicycles already."

"That's just like a woman," retorted Mr. McSwat. "Don't you see, Lobelia, that when we go out riding with it at night we only need one lantern!"—Chicago Tribune.

Street Bait.

Fond Mother—"Willie, as you come home from school, stop at the store and get me two bars of soap and a nickel's worth of candy."

Fond Father—"What in the world do you want the candy for?"

F. M.—Oh, that's so he'll not forget the soap.—To Date.

Asking for Details.

"I tell you, my son John, who graduated last June, is carrying everything before him now," said old Mr. Reddick, proudly.

"Ah," said Mr. Spatts, unimpressed, "is he a waiter in a restaurant or is he pushing a wheelbarrow on a railroad?"—Art in Dress.

Reason to Be Thankful.

Sympathizing Neighbor—The burglars seem to have carried off about everything of value in the house. It's too bad!

Householder—Yes, but it may have been a great deal worse. They didn't wake the baby.—Chicago Tribune.

Drives to It.

Women, if your hairs were doffed so men could see the stars.

The "hairs" would not go out so oft To quench their burning rage.

—L. A. W. Bulletin

EXCUSABLE ERROR.

The crime is charged before the bar; The jury then doth sit To see which one of them shall hang—The murderer or it.

—Detroit Tribune

She Knew Her Own Trick.

Saleslady—I sold that big woman that expensive silk waist, after all.

Floor-walker—How did you work it?

Saleslady—Oh, I told her I thought she was too fat to look well in it.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Starting the Whole Case.

Magistrate—The evidence shows that you threw a brick at a man.

Mrs. McDuff—An' it shows more than that, yer honor. It shows that I lit him.—Tit-Bits.

Neither Sailed.

Angry Husband—What I wanted was a wife who would be a helpmeet.

Angry Wife—Huh! What I wanted was a husband who would supply meat to help.—N. Y. Weekly.

Eminent Domain.

Brown—What is eminent domain?

Jones—It means the right of the public to take a man's property by paying a little more for it than anyone else will.—N. Y. World.

Excusable.

Mack—Why do you put weather strips around your windows in summer?

Wyle—The family across the street has bought a piano.—Town Topics.

The Sporting Idea.

We do not mind the terrible heat.

If we know the highest record's beat.

Generous Johnny.

"Which would you rather, Johnny," asked the fond mother, "have the measles and stay at home, or be well and go to school?"

"Rather have the measles and stay at home; but then I'd like to go to school, too," said Johnny.

"But why, darling?" urged his mother.

"So I could give all the other fellows the measles," answered the generous boy.—Detroit Free Press.

Mother's Thought.

"Oh, dear," snarled Billy, as he rushed into the house and slammed the door; "all the boys has gone off and I ain't got nobody to play with."

"Well," said his mother, serenely, "you can come and play with the baby."

Which he thereupon did, for an hour. Mothers forget that it is things like this that encourage their boys to grow up and be pirates.—N. Y. Recorder.

Two Paths to Knowledge.

"We learn to do by doing."

I think the song doth run; But to my mind

More things we find

Aid learn by being "done."

—University Courier

POPULAR SONG ILLUSTRATED.

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BACCALAUREATE SERMON.

TO THE GRADUATING CLASS OF WALLKILL ACADEMY.

Dr. Beattie Delivers an Appropriate and Very Interesting Address Upon Life and Its Adjustment in Its Relations to One's Self, One's Fellow, to God and the Future Life.

A large congregation was present at the morning services at the Second Presbyterian Church, yesterday, to hear the sermon of Rev. Dr. Beattie to the graduating class of Wallkill Academy. The members of the class, the academy teachers and the members of the Board of Education marched to the church in a body and occupied seats reserved for them in the centre row of pews.

Dr. Beattie congratulated the young people, the teachers and members of the Board of Education and bade them a hearty welcome. He congratulated the members of the class on having completed their course; for their patience and perseverance in pursuing the course to the finish. At the same time he said he regretted that out of the 1,700 pupils who participated in the parade a few days ago, only seventeen are graduates. He expressed a hope, however, that with the enlarged and improved facilities the number of graduates will be increased.

Dr. Beattie took for his text the second clause of the 14th verse of the 4th chapter of James: "What is your life?"

He first took up the question, what is this mysterious thing we call life, and after giving some of the scientific answers, such as "palpitating protoplasm," "throbbing bathybius" and the result of chemical and mechanical forces, he took up Herbert Spencer's theory of life: "Life is the continuous adjustment of external and internal relations."

The doctor claimed that life is not the adjustment, but the power that effects the adjustment of the relations, and asked, "What is that power?" Is it the chemical and mechanical product of matter, or is it something higher?

He took up the Bible, which he pronounced the oldest and best book on biology extant, and gave the biblical answer from the seventh verse of the second chapter of Genesis: "And God breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and man became a living being." From this it is clear that life in man is the breath or the spirit of God. He then combined the biblical and the philosophical, and said the power that adjusts the external and internal relations is the breath of God in man, which attaches a wonderful dignity to life.

"What is your life and how is it adjusted?" The first thing to be secured is its adjustment in your relations with God. These relations have been disturbed by sin and a readjustment must be made.

The next is the adjustment of relations with your fellow beings, for which God has furnished the wisest and best laws and you should be controlled by those laws.

Next is the adjustment of occupation, the feeling that there is a place for you and that you are made for a special work, and that you should be controlled by those laws.

The doctor dwelt for a time on the multitudes who are out of their proper places in life, whose relations are not wisely adjusted which render it more important and more difficult to find your proper place, but when you do there is no limit to your power to make a mark in the world. Do not join the great army of insignificant people who simply exist, are buried and every body is glad of it.

The last thought was the adjustment of relations to the world to come, to which we are fast hastening and that relation is only obtained by the redeeming grace of God.

He wound up at the comprehensiveness of Spencer's definition of life. All true, honorable life is an effort to adjust one's relations to himself, to his fellow and to God. That is what the Bible is for and along those lines we go higher and higher until we reach heaven.

MT. SALEM.

Not a Financial Success, Injured by a Fall—Sentry Attended—Close of School—Other Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

The report of Miss Rita Austin, at the church, Thursday night, was not a financial success, and the church missed a good opportunity to make a nice sum. The proceeds were well rendered, and the singing by Mrs. G. B. Kistner, of Westtown, was very fine. We hope the next time they offer their services they will be more appreciated.

Mrs. Sanford Wither, on the mountain road, had a fall not long ago and narrowly escaped serious injury. She is being attended by Dr. Nugent, of Unionville, and is improving slowly.

Mrs. Richard Smith, of Swartswood Lake, visited Miss Fannie Kistner one day recently.

School closed Friday with an examination, recitals, etc., and the children had the school house decorated with flowers and evergreens, and altogether they had a pleasant day, long to be remembered.

Mrs. Florence Courtright is spending a week with friends at Middletown. She is again under the doctor's care.

The social at the Wickham home, held last Tuesday night, was not as well attended as it should have been; therefore the proceeds were not large.

The road machine has been through this district, and in a few days we will have a fine road again.

There is to be a sale soon of the household and farming utensils of William Jerome Gibson, lately deceased.

The Inn at High Point has quite a number of guests already, and many more are expected soon.

SPORT AT THE DRIVING PARK.

Two Interesting Contests, Saturday Afternoon, but a Very Small Attendance—Hazen P. Sold at Auction—The Summaries.

The attendance at the Saturday matinee at the Campbell track was very light and was therefore a great disappointment to the managers of the Driving Park Association, who expected a large crowd. The two previous matinees had drawn big crowds, but on those occasions no admission fee was charged.

There were two events on the card, 2:17 class trotting and pacing for a purse of \$100 and 3:00 class trotting and pacing for a \$50 purse.

The judges were Budd Murray, of Chester; Ira Ryerson, of Goshen and Geo. Waldorf, of this city. Whitfield Gibbs, of Goshen, was the starter and W. F. Rogee, clerk of the course.

Out of the seven entries for the 2:17 class only three faced the starter, Rose, Full Prince and Billy R. The latter straining a tendon in the first heat and was drawn after the third heat, it being plainly evident that the horse was not himself.

Rose had a very easy thing winning the first heat in the very fast time of 2:22½—day, track and conditions taken into consideration.

Full Prince took the second heat in 2:30, the mare breaking badly on several occasions. Rose took the next two heats in 2:25 and 2:27.

There were six starters in the 3:00 class, which proved an easy thing for Fanny L., owned by George Freeman, of Goshen, after Hazen P. had taken the first heat. The opinion of many in the crowd was that May could have given Fanny L. a much closer race for a greater inducement than the purse for which she was trotting. She showed some good bursts of speed and worked steadily.

Hazen P., owned by H. S. Post, of this city, was put up at auction after the race and after several bids had been made, C. Emmet Crawford, who acted as auctioneer, knocked the horse down to Wm. Wood, of Chester, for \$135.

The summaries are as follows:

Rose, b. m. by Belmont (Alden)...	1	3	1
Full Prince, b. g. (1892)...	3	1	2
Billy R., b. g. (Fogey)...	2	2	1
Fanny L., b. m. (Finn)...	2	2	1
Hazen P., b. g. (Post)...	1	0	6
May, b. m. (Adkins)...	6	2	2
Bartholomew, b. g. (Maple)...	6	2	2
Whit Wilkes, b. m. (Fogey)...	4	4	5
Lady Blackmont, blk. m. (Wood)...	5	3	4

Time—2:45½, 2:45½, 2:45, 2:45½.

BULLVILLE.

Interesting Children's Day Exercises—An Interesting Game of Ball, Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

Children's Day was celebrated in the Bullville M. E. Church, Sunday morning. The church was well filled. The audience was well pleased with the programme and said that, although Bullville always has a good Children's Day, this year excelled them all. The programme, "Our Young Crusaders," was given in full by the school. The church was decorated with flowers, evergreens, flags and bunting. It presented a fine appearance.

Promptly at 11 a. m. the school marched up the aisle and took their places on the platform. The programme was made up of three divisions. Dory Shafer giving the introductory address, "The Crusaders and Our Programme." Then came the first division, "The Home Guards," Clarence Martin being the standard bearer. First subdivision—"The Cold Water Army," address by Master Roy Youngs, as captain and exercises by the primary class; second subdivision—"The Anti-Saloon Cadets," address by Loton Ellis, as captain; third subdivision—"The Good Conduct Band," by four young ladies, Amy Roberson as captain.

Then came the second division, "State Protectors," Bert Roberson as standard bearer. Second division—"The Good Citizenship Brigade," address by George Ayers; second subdivision—"The Loyal American League," address by Mabel Mickles as captain. Third division, "Church Defenders," Albert Reynolds as standard bearer. First subdivision—"The Conquering Legion," address by Lillian Ayers; second subdivision—"The Student Recruits," address by C. D. Roberson as captain. Great praise is due the pastor, Rev. Wm. H. Hayes, the observance of the day was a great success.

The Campbell Hall ball club came to this village, last Saturday afternoon, to play the club of this place. The game was the most interesting ever played on the Bullville grounds. The score was 6 to 3 in favor of Bullville. Neither side scored till the fourth inning, when Bullville took a batting streak and knocked out two runs. It looked for a time as if Campbell Hall was going to be shut out. For seven innings they were blanked, but in the eighth inning, with one man on second base, Kiggins, the first baseman of the Campbell Halls, made a safe drive over short-stop's head for two bases, and brought in the first run for his side. By the Bullville's pitcher, ending up on them, they made two more runs in the ninth. Bullville scored two runs in the seventh and eighth inning, making the score as stated above. The features of the game were the all-round fielding of the Bullvilles and the batting of S. Roberson, the youngest player of the team, who was at the bat four times and made three hits, one being a two-bagger. For Campbell Halls the pitching of Platt was the feature. Only three errors were made on each side. The game was marked by sharp work all the way through. Bullville making two double plays and Campbell Hall one. It was the shortest game ever played on the grounds, the time being 1 hour and 27 minutes. Following is the batting order of the Bullvilles and the positions:

J. Shafer, catcher; S. Roberson, right field; Norbury, second base; Dickerson, third base; Reynolds, first base; B. Shafer, pitcher; Howell, left field; H. Shafer, center field; F. Sherer, short stop. The score by innings was as follows:

Bullville	0	0	2	0	0	2	2	5
Campbell Hall	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3

BEAVERKILL.

The Creamery Almost Finished—Seriously Ill—Badly Hurt by a Fall—Other Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

The new creamery at Lewbeach is almost ready for farmers to try that way of disposing of their milk and see if better prices can be had for butter.

Mrs. H. D. Fitch is very ill at her home near Shavertown. Her sister, Mrs. Tidd, has gone to take care of her. O. Wamsley was severely hurt while working on C. Odell's barn, a number of sawed shingles falling from the roof and striking him on the head.

Mrs. J. D. Davidson and daughter are expected home from Michigan the last of this month.

Our school has closed for the summer.

CAPE COD TERRAPIN.

Interesting Facts About a Very Popular Reptile.

The "Diamond Back" Affords a Comfortable Living to Those Who Are Engaged in Capturing It.

It will be a great shock to the pride of Maryland and Pennsylvania to learn that terrapin are caught on the coast of Massachusetts and that they command a higher price in the New York market than those from anywhere else. Where the Massachusetts "diamond backs" come from or when they come or whether they are natives of these waters are questions that have never been answered. Indeed, naturalists seem to have entirely overlooked, until very recently, the fact that the terrapin was to be found on the Massachusetts coast.

When the presence of terrapin was brought to the attention of a few men who were interested in natural history it was thought at first that the reptiles had migrated from the south. But many of the terrapin were fully grown, and as a full-grown terrapin is believed to be not less than 50 years old it was concluded that they were probably natives of Massachusetts. If this conclusion is the correct one it is the more remarkable that the fashionable turtle managed to keep himself out of text-books on natural history.

Terrapin were first discovered in Massachusetts by a southern negro, Dempster Hill, who happened to see several of the "diamond backs" sunning themselves on a sandbar. He had not lived in the south for nothing, and recognizing the value of his find, he said not a word to anybody, but suddenly developed remarkable energy.

Like most of his race he did not worry about the future, and when he had caught a dozen or two terrapin, he sold them and lived on the proceeds until his funds needed replenishment, when he became again energetic.

Hill made a very comfortable living in this way for several years before his white neighbors awoke to their opportunities.

This was a number of years ago, and when Hill died his mantle fell on a white man, who is now the principal terrapin fisher on Buzzard's bay.

Terrapin are to be found all along the Cape Cod coast as well as in Buzzard's bay. This year both the "diamond" and smooth back terrapin have been very scarce in these waters or else the fishermen have not had their usual success in finding them.

Twelve years ago terrapin were caught in great quantities in Barnstable, South Wellfleet and other points on Buzzard's bay, but most of the fishing is now done in East Wareham and vicinity, where the most expert "diamond back" hunter on the coast lives.

Terrapin are known on Cape Cod as "turpin" and the visitor from the city who gives the word three syllables is regarded as hopelessly ignorant. The native of Maryland prefers to speak of this delectable inhabitant of a shell as a "bird," possibly because its flavor has something of a suggestion of the salt marsh in the early morning.

It is in the salt marshes bordering the creeks which have their outlet in Buzzard's bay that the choicest "turpin" find their homes in the winter months. To protect themselves from the cold they dig down in the sand, sometimes to a depth of five feet, and lie dormant until spring. In the interval they go without food. With the approach of warm weather appetite returns, they resurrect themselves from their sandy graves and until winter comes again they swim about in the water, catching the oysters, crabs and fish on which they subsist or lie sunning themselves on sandbars for hours.—Boston Herald.

The Cuban X-Giants arrived on O. and W. train 1 at 10:45, this morning, and this afternoon are playing against the Asgians on the Hospital grounds.

Barns Destroyed by Lightning.

During the shower of Wednesday night, which was unusually heavy and accompanied by very brilliant lightning, the barn of a Mr. Williams, near Konoza Lake, was struck by lightning, set on fire and entirely consumed as was also a barn belonging to Lockey Stewart, at North Branch.

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